



GENERAL MESSAGE

Attn: NSW Feedlot Members

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Update on COVID-19 requirements for primary industries

ALFA is aware of the rapidly changing developments in New South Wales in relation to COVID-19. The safety and wellbeing of our feedlot community is top of mind.

We have received the below information from the NSW DPI and are sharing this update to assist you in your response to restrictions.

QR codes

Under the latest [Public Health Order](#), farms are not required to have mandatory QR codes. However, primary industry businesses are strongly encouraged to register as COVID Safe and use QR Codes where possible.

For the purposes of on-farm activities such as bull/ram sales, shearing, and other events where you have larger on-farm visitors than usual, primary producers need to:

- Keep a register of visitors. The organisers can choose how they do this, i.e QR code, sheet of paper, etc.
- Make the list available to NSW Health, if requested, within 4 hours either as an excel or csv file to support contract tracing. If they are using a QR code this information is already provided. This is a legal requirement under the PHO.
- Hold this information for 4 weeks.

Primary industries businesses are encouraged to complete an [Agriculture COVID Safety Plan](#) to ensure they meet all COVID safety requirements.

Agricultural shows and agricultural field days are required to have mandatory QR Codes. For information on how to obtain a QR code visit the [NSW Government COVID-19 website](#).

Travelling to and from NSW

All states and territories now have requirements for travellers from NSW. You can find further information on [leaving NSW to go interstate](#). Please check the relevant state's border controls as you may be required to complete either a declaration or apply for a permit ahead

of your travel date, or upon your return travel into NSW. Some areas of NSW have been identified as high risk areas and residents, or recent travellers to these areas, may not be able to cross certain borders.

Travellers into NSW, including returning NSW residents, are now required to complete a [travel declaration](#) if returning from Queensland, Northern Territory, Victoria or Western Australia.

The situation is changing frequently, so travellers are advised to regularly check travel requirements.

The latest updates on border crossings can be found here:

- If you are planning on [leaving NSW to go interstate](#)
- If you are planning on [returning to NSW](#)

Border communities

Queensland has a [border zone](#) in place for NSW and Victoria has a [border bubble](#) in place. South Australia has the [Cross Border Community zone](#). Border residents should keep monitoring requirements as border controls change.

Financial assistance package

The NSW Government will be offering financial support to businesses and not-for-profit organisations impacted by the recent COVID-19 restrictions and stay-at-home orders.

From 19 July 2021, NSW businesses, sole traders and not-for-profit organisations will be able to apply for the [2021 COVID-19 business grant](#) and may be eligible for a one-off grant of \$7,500, \$10,500 or \$15,000.

From 26 July, 2021, applications will open for the [Micro Business Support Grants](#) and the [JobSaver](#) program.

For information about these programs and other funding measures to keep your business running and your employees in work visit [NSW Government's 2021 COVID-19 Support Package](#)

If you require any support or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact ALFA directly on 02 9290 3700 or info@feedlots.com.au

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